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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
DEAN et al.) Examiner: Bradley L. Sisson
Serial No. 09/514,113) Art Unit: 1634
Filed: February 28, 2000) Confirmation No.: 9257
For: METHOD FOR REDUCING ARTIFACTS IN NUCLEIC ACID AMPLIFICATION))))

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed on December 1, 2005, please amend the application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this Amendment.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this Amendment.